## **Claims**

## What is claimed is:

- 1. A method for storing and reporting pharmacy data, comprising the steps of:
  - a) selectively obtaining pharmacy data from at least one pharmacy;
  - b) organizing and structuring the pharmacy data;
  - c) storing the pharmacy data in a data repository;
  - d) selectively allowing a requestor obtain at least a portion of the pharmacy data;
  - e) formatting data requested by the requestor into a report; and
  - f) providing the report to the requestor.

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- 2. The method of claim 1, further comprising the steps of:
  - a) encrypting the pharmacy data before obtaining it; and
  - b) decrypting the pharmacy data after obtaining it.

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- 3. The method of claim 1 wherein the pharmacy data are obtained by means of an electronic communications network.
- 4. The method of claim 3 wherein the requestor requests and receives a report by means of an electronic communications network.

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- 5. The method of claim 4 wherein the electronic communications network is an intranet.
- 6. The method of claim 4 wherein the electronic communications network is the internet.

- 7. The method of claim 1 wherein the requestor is selectively allowed access to a greater or lesser portion of the pharmacy data based upon predetermined criteria.
- 8. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of checking the pharmacy data for defects before storing it.
  - 9. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of encrypting the report before sending it to the requestor.
  - 10. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of checking the pharmacy data before obtaining it.
    - 11. A method for storing and reporting pharmacy data, comprising the steps of:
  - a) selectively obtaining pharmacy data from at least one pharmacy by means of an electronic communications network;
    - b) organizing and structuring the pharmacy data;
    - c) storing the pharmacy data in a data repository;
  - d) selectively allowing a requestor obtain at least a portion of the pharmacy data by means of the electronic communications network, wherein the requestor is selectively allowed access to a greater or lesser portion of the pharmacy data based upon predetermined criteria;
    - e) formatting data requested by the requestor into a report; and
    - f) sending the report to the requestor.

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- 12. The method of claim 11, further comprising the step of checking the pharmacy data before obtaining it.
- 5 13. The method of claim 11 wherein the electronic communications network is an intranet.
  - 14. The method of claim 11, further comprising the steps of:
    - a) encrypting the pharmacy data before obtaining it; and
  - b) decrypting the pharmacy data after obtaining it.

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